

1. The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance: the examiner found no teaching in the prior art that would render obvious the claimed method for estimating the geo-location of a wireless transmitter emitting a signal that is received by a plurality of sensors in a geo-location system including the steps of "modifying the weight value associated with the dominant sensor signals relative to the weight value associated with the non-dominant sensor signals; determining a refined estimate of the geo-location of the wireless transmitter from the refined estimation signals; repeating the above steps a predetermined number of times to thereby estimate the geo-location of the wireless transmitter.", claim 6, "updating the weight value for at least one of the sensor signals as a function of the offset for the respective sensor signal; estimating the updated geo-location of the wireless transmitter as a function of the sensor signals and the respective updated weight values; determining the offset of each sensor signal from the updated geo-location; repeating the above steps a predetermined number of times to thereby estimate the geolocation of the wireless transmitter.", claim 16, "estimating the geo-location of the wireless transmitter as a function of the sensor signals and the weight values assigned to the sensor signals; determining the offset of each received signal from the estimated geo-location; updating the weight value for at least one of the sensor signals as a function of the offset for the respective sensor signal; repeating the above steps a predetermined number of times to thereby estimate the geo-location of the wireless transmitter.", claim 29

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